

99th Annual A Gappella Vespers

Lauren E. Scharf, Director

Julie Livengood, Accompanist Brian Bogey, Organist

First Lutheran Church December 10th & 17th, 2023

PROGRAM

ORGAN PRELUDE MUSIC Brian A. Bogey, Organist

(Please maintain a reverent silence during the Organ Prelude)

Pastorale and Cradle SongStanley Saxton		
Partita on "Noel et en Grand Choeur"Jean-Jaques Charpentier		
Trio on "Bring a Torch, Jeanette, Isabella"David Hegarty		
Prelude on "Est ist ein' Ros' entsprungen"Gordon Young		
Gentle Mary Laid Her ChildPaul Manz		
Poeme Mystique on "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear"Richard Purvis		

PROCESSIONAL		
Kyrie Christe, Kyrie EleisonOld French Carol		
I		
A CAPPELLA CHOIR		
See That Star!Victor C. Johnson		
Soloists: Olivia Beach & Eddie Meyer		
Ubi CaritasOla Gjeilo		
Season of LightJacob Narverud		
Medieval NoelRuth Elaine Schram		
II		
LADIES OF TODAY		
Cradle HymnArr. Susan Brumfield		
III		
MEN OF TOMORROW		
Little Innocent LambArr. Marshall Bartholomew		

IV MADRIGAL SINGERS

Noel, Noel, Noel!	Words by M. Donnelly	
Music by G. L.O. Strid		
Ave Maria	Michael John Trotta	
OFFERTORY		
Carol Rhapsody	Richard Purvis	
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A CAPPELLA CHOIR		
Ding-a Ding-a Ding	Greg Gilpin	
See Amid the Winter's Snow		
Carol of the BellsA	rr. Peter J. Wilhousky	
The First Noel	Arr. Sir John Stainer	
Hallelujah! From "Messiah"Ge		
RECESSIONAL		
Silent Night	Franz Grüber/Wetzel	
ORGAN POSTLUDE		
Noel Chant du Roi Rene	Alexandre Guilmant	
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We kindly request that there be NO APPLAUSE at the end of the Vespers Service

It is with deep appreciation that we acknowledge Julie Livengood for her service as rehearsal accompanist and Brian Bogey, A Cappella Choir Director Emeritus, for his service as organist for the 99th A Cappella Choir.

A CAPPELLA CHOIR

SOPRANO I
Vysali Bommireddipalli
Jayden Boyd
Nolah Hamilton
Lilly Johnson*
Kaitlyn Kennedy*
Gabriella Knight
Jaidan Lutgen*
Aubrey Spitzer
Mattea Spitzer
Kelianet Torres-Marrero*

SOPRANO II
Olivia Beach*
Addison Cappalino
Camille Czerniak
Abbie Derby
Allison Latona*
Elsa Lumia
Allison MacCallum
Sydney Maggio
Adrianna McSkimming
Jadalyse Navarro
McKenzie Pickett*
Kaylin Russell
Ruby Schneider*
Gracelyn Stevenson

ALTO I
Mary Bailey
Grayson Bloomquist
Jessah-Marie Courson
Nilla Ecklof*
Ashlyn Galeazzo*
Zoe Haskins
Bethany Malloy
Abrielle Monaghan
Olivia Olmstead
Gabrielle Seekins
Zaporah Sparrow
Amaya Thompson*

ALTO II
Kenzie Carpenter
Xavier Champagne*
Annie Conroe*
Gina Delgado
Rya Giuffre*
Kate Kathman
Jazmyn Rollinger Norrod
Iolee Schultz

TENOR I Jack Christensen John Johnston Braedan Lutgen Eddie Meyer* Ioshua Skinner*

TENOR II Spencer Kindberg* Samuel Mathis* Stavros Singleton* Owen Slojkowski

BASS I
Gavin Cuoco*
Ayden Hagelin
Elliott Krudys
Brighton Lumia*
Aiden Shelley
Isaac Sinatra*

BASS II Anthony Blakeslee* Brady Classon Hayden Langford*

* = Madrigal Singer

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JAMESTOWN HIGH SCHOOL CHORAL MUSIC PROGRAM

Choral music education has enjoyed a long, rich tradition at Jamestown High School. Founded 99 years ago by Ebba H. Goranson, who directed the choir from 1924 until her passing in 1957. Donald B. Bubé served as choral director from 1958-1981. Brian A. Bogey became the first alumnus to direct the choir in 1982. Since his retirement in 2003, Brian continues to support the efforts of the A Cappella as choir organist. Norman Lydell served as the director from 2003-2020 and continues to provide counsel and support to the choir in many ways. It is with deep appreciation, admiration and affection that we continue the life work of our founder and directors.

Through its travels across the country and globe, the choir is known as the "Choir of Cathedrals." Venues have included, among many others, the National Shrine Basilica and National Presbyterian Church in Washington, D.C; New York City's famed Saint Patrick's Cathedral, St. Peter's Lutheran Church, and Saint John the Divine Cathedral; Boston's Old North Church, St. Michael's R.C. Cathedral in Toronto, Canada; and St. Stephan's Cathedral in Vienna, (home of the Vienna Boys Choir).

The choir also has participated in several master classes at prestigious universities and has performed at a number of professional sporting events and historical sites. In December of 2009, the Madrigal Singers performed with recording artist Kenny Rogers and in December of 2015, the choir performed with acclaimed performing artist Jim Brickman. The choir has also performed at Walt Disney World twice: at Disney Springs in 2014 and in EPCOT's Candlelight Processional, narrated by Academy Award-winning actress Marlee Matlin, in 2019. The Madrigal Singers recently performed with Buffalo-based theater organization, Starring Buffalo, in a production of "Sister Act: The Musical."

Other JHS choral ensembles include the Mixed Chorus, Men of Tomorrow, Ladies of Today and the select Madrigal Singers.

If you would like to donate to the A Cappella Choir, scan the QR code.



TO OUR AUDIENCE

Thank you for sharing this time with us. We hope our performance brings you peace, hope, and joy. For the benefit and safety of our choir, it is expected and necessary that the members of our audience observe complete silence during our performance. In addition, we ask that you refrain from the use of electronic devices such as cell phones, iPads/tablets, etc. and please refrain from the use of flash photography so that our performers and audience my enjoy the efforts of our talented young singers without audio/visual distraction.

A Cappella Choir Vespers are recored live each year in order to preserve the performance. If you must leave the sanctuary, please do so only when the choir is not performing.

You are cordially invited to participate in the traditional Christmas offering that will be used for the custodial and church fees, recording fees, printing of programs, posters, publicity and the cost of candles.

OUR DIRECTOR

Lauren E. Scharf has served as the Director of Choral Activities at Jamestown High School since 2020. Prior to her appointment at JHS she was the choral/general music teacher at Persell Middle School. She also serves as the Director of the High School Musical.

Ms. Scharf is originally from Ellicottville, NY. She holds her bachelor's degree in Music Education with a concentration in Vocal Performance from The Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam and her master's degree in Music Education from SUNY Fredonia. She is currently working on a second Mater's degree in Theatre Direction from Roosevelt University in Chicago, Illinois.

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Ebba Goranson - Founder Donald B. Bubé Brian A. Bogey Norman D. Lydell 1924-1957 1958-1981 1982-2003 2003-2020

